

Cary Park District
Board of Commissioners
Committee of the Whole Meeting
March 10, 2022
7:00 PM
Community Center
255 Briargate Road
Cary, IL

Minutes

Board Members Present: Stanko, Carasso, Frangiamore, Victor and Renner.

Staff Present: Kelly, Hall, Raica, Hughes, Krueger, Barge, Rogus, Miles, Kane.

Guests Present: None.

Commissioner Renner called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Renner asked if there were any matters from the Public, Commissioners, and staff.

No matters from the public.

Under matters from Commissioners, Carasso updated on the Foundation's Pars To The Stars Night Golf event on May 14, 2022. Renner and Victor stated they attended Mayor Kownick's roundtable.

Under matters from staff, Jones updated on the progress at Sunburst Bay Aquatic Center project.

The minutes from the February 10, 2022 COW meeting were presented for approval.

Stanko moved to approve the minutes as presented. Second by Carasso.

Voice vote: Yes – 5, No – None. Motion carried.

The first Direction Item, was Replacement of 2009 Toro 3100 Sidewinder Mower. Jones and Miles introduced the recommended replacement equipment, a John Deere 7400A Terraincut. Miles presented the background on the recommended equipment. Jones stated that costs for equipment have skyrocketed in recent weeks and the recommended piece is more than the amount shown for replacement in the Park District's CERF projection. Jones stated that the CERF is a framework and a projection. Past purchases have been below amounts projected and at other times they have been more. Jones stated that purchases made via the same program earlier in the FY by the golf course came in \$9,000 below the projected cost. The current piece being replaced is 12 years old, and the use of this piece is critical to the maintenance of the golf course. Jones stated that staff is recommending the replacement despite the higher cost. Renner asked for a motion prior to discussion.

Stanko moved to recommend Board approval for the purchase of a 2022 John Deere 7400A Terraincut Mowing Unit through Sourcewell Cooperative Purchase Program 031121-DAC in the amount of \$48,687.11. Second by Carasso.

Stanko asked about making the recommend amount a not to exceed of \$49,000 in the event of price increases. Jones stated this would not be necessary. Hearing no more discussion, Renner asked for a Roll Call vote.

Roll Call: Yes – 5, No – No. Motion carried.


The first Discussion Item was, FY 2022-23 Budget Preview. Krueger introduced the budget preview and asked if there were any questions from the memo regarding the projected EAV and the tax extension time frame from the County. Stanko requested clarification on the 2020 EAV and the 2021 EAV numbers presented. Krueger presented planned fund balance reductions in the Audit, IMRF/Social Security, Special Recreation, Developer Donation, Cary Prairie Heritage Funds. Krueger stated that these are planned use of fund balances being utilized so as not to over tax for the levied funds. Renner asked for clarification on the use of these funds and if they were being transferred elsewhere or if the funds were being used for their intended purpose. Krueger stated that all funds are being used for their intended purposes. Krueger walked the Board through the CERF schedule and 10 year projections for the fund and equipment replacements over that time period. Krueger presented the 10 year Capital Projects Fund schedule and projection. She highlighted projects being started and to be completed in FY 2022-23 as well as future projects upcoming in the next FY and over time. She stated that these items tie back to the Action Plan recently approved by the Board. Krueger presented an overview of the Park District's current debt and pay off time frames. Frangiamore asked about recent discussion by the Village about the creation of a new TIF District. Jones provided an overview of potential impact to the Park District from a new TIF and stated that Attorney Puma would be attending an upcoming Board meeting to discuss this further with the Board. Krueger presented the staffing plan for the upcoming year of 23 full time employees. The Board expressed concern and support for adding more FT staff if needed based on significant operational changes to the agency that come with opening Sunburst Bay Aquatic Center. The Board inquired to changes in the number of FT staff over time. Krueger stated that there had been no change in the past four years. Jones stated that going back 20 years, FT staff numbers have not changed at all. Jones provided an overview of staffing across the Park District and changes that had been made due to retirements and loss of staff during COVID. Jones stated that many internal changes had been made and staff had been added that is PT. He stated that as staff is lost, a reconsideration and look at agency needs is always conducted and new positions both FT and PT are created or modified to better serve the agency and its efficiencies. Krueger highlighted several items in the upcoming budget. She noted the operation of the Sunburst Bay Aquatic Center is included, the impact of COVID is believed to be passing and there is optimism in the budget regarding this, an automated system to assist with onboarding and recruiting of staff, minor repairs at the Community Center, implementation of the Sands Main Street Vegetation Enhancement Plan, and necessary modifications to the agency phone system based on age and the addition of Sunburst Bay. Krueger highlighted costs necessary to implement IT related protocols in order the agency to secure Cyber Liability Insurance coverage's required by PDRMA. Krueger noted the budget includes items from the Comprehensive Master Plan, replacement of playgrounds at Brittany and Bristol Parks and removal/demolition of community pool.

Renner asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Carasso. Second by Stanko.

Voice vote: Yes – 5. No – None. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:27 PM.



Daniel C. Jones, Secretary
Park District Board of Commissioners